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USING SUPERABSORBENT POLYMERS

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Examiner: BARRY, Chester

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as shown. If any fees for this response are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 502190.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.